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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 412  
By Kernell

A RESOLUTION to honor the many professional and personal accomplishments and community service of William R. "Bob" Lampley, Jr.

WHEREAS, William R. "Bob" Lampley, Jr. was born September 23, 1924 at 236 Rosamond Avenue, in Memphis, Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Lampley graduated from Memphis Technical High School and the Memphis School of Commerce, where he majored in accounting; and

WHEREAS, a grave defender of the highest principles of Americanism, Mr. Lampley patriotically served our country in the 5th Air Force during World War II in the Southwest Pacific and Far East Theaters with the rank of Sergeant; and

WHEREAS, reflecting his Christian upbringing, Mr. Lampley became active in church and civic affairs after his tour of duty in World War II; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Lampley is a devout member of the United Pentecostal Church and has served as a Sunday School teacher, Sunday School Superintendent, Chairman of the Religious Education Board, Building Committee Chairman, Chairman of the Pulpit Committee, Church Treasurer, Secretary of the Church Board and Tax Advisor to the Foreign Missionary Division of the United Pentecostal Church International; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Lampley has been very active in the Boy Scouts, serving the Chickasaw Council of the Boy Scouts of America; he has been involved in the Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, and

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Explorers, and was District Chairman of Sustaining Membership and of Leadership Training; he has also been involved with the Woodbadge program and the Order of the Arrow program; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Lampley served on the Board of Directors of the Memphis Youth Symphony for nine years, also serving as Vice-President; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Lampley served the youth of Tennessee and Memphis through Optimist International; he has been President of the Highland Heights Optimist Club, Chairman of the Memphis and Shelby County Optimist Respect for Law Committee, Lieutenant Governor of Zone I of the Tennessee District, member of the Executive Committee of the Tennessee District, and Chairman of the "Just Say No" Committee of the Tennessee District; Mr. Lampley has been honored three times by his Highland Heights Club as the "Optimist of the Year"; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Lampley has spent most of his adult life self-employed as a public accountant in partnership with his wife, Marjorie Christine Lampley; he was a licensed public accountant in Tennessee and in Arkansas, was an enrolled agent to practice before the Internal Revenue Service and is accredited in accountancy as an Accredited Tax Advisor by the Accreditation Council for Accountancy and Taxation; he is now a retired Certified Public Accountant; Mr. Lampley has served his profession faithfully and diligently for many years; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Lampley served as Vice-Chairman of the Administrative Committee of the Tennessee State Board of Accountancy; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Lampley served the Tennessee Association of Public Accountants untiringly and with distinction as president and was bestowed with the highest honor of the Association, the "Public Accountant of the Year" Award; he has also served Tennessee Public Accountants by assisting the Tennessee General Assembly in developing statutes regulating the accounting profession; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Lampley also served the National Society of Public Accountants with great ability in many capacities; he served as State Director for Tennessee, District Governor and President; he was bestowed with the highest honor of the National Society, the

“Distinguished Service Award”; and the latest honor he received from the National Society of Public Accountants was the “Distinguished Service Citation”; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Lampley and his wife, Christine, share the unique distinction of being the only husband and wife public accountants in the United States who have both served in the following capacities: as President of the local Chapter of their State Society, four years as the National Society of Public Accountants’ State Director for Tennessee, and as President of their State Society; both have received the State Society “Public Accountant of the Year” award; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Lampley received the National “Distinguished Service Award” and Mrs. Lampley received the National “State Director of the Year” award in 1982; Mr. Lampley installed Mrs. Lampley as President of the Tennessee Association of Public Accountants; and

WHEREAS, both have been licensed public accountants in Tennessee since 1956; both have been Certified Public Accountants since 1989; both have been enrolled to practice before the Internal Revenue Service since 1960; both have been accredited in accountancy since 1974; they have practiced together since 1950; until Mr. Lampley’s untimely retirement, they were known as Lampley & Lampley, Certified Public Accountants; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Lampley has served on the Board of Directors of several educational institutions, including the Columbia Military Academy and the Advisory Board of the Accounting Department of Shelby State Community College; he was Chairman and as a member of the Advisory Board to the Accounting Department of the State Technical Institute at Memphis; he was also co-founder and chairman of the Council for Professional Development of Accountancy; and he was also co-founder and chairman of the Accreditation Council for Accountancy; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Lampley served as Treasurer of the Industrial Pollution Control Board of the City of Memphis and is listed in *Who’s Who in America* and the *International Who’s Who of Intellectuals*; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Lampley was blessed in his early life with a hard-working father, William R. Lampley, Sr. and a loving mother, Audrey Miller Hoy Lampley, three outstanding brothers and a beautiful sister; and

WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. Lampley have been blessed with four children: Mary Rebecca (Mrs. James L. Fortner II), William R. Lampley III, Deborah Sue (Mrs. Brian K. Throgmartin), “Debbie”, a CPA, who has worked with her parents for over 20 years, and Chris Jolene (Mrs. Brian B. Fullen); and

WHEREAS, despite the many honors and accolades that have been showered upon him in recognition of his bountiful talents, Mr. Lampley is most appreciative of the love and understanding he shares with his charming and talented wife of 53 years, Marjorie “Christine” Lampley; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE-HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we hereby honor and commend the outstanding professional and personal accomplishments of William R. “Bob” Lampley, Jr., and extend to Mr. Lampley our best wishes for every continued success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.